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Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2010 in the above-identified application. Applicants request a one month extension of time, which extends the time for this response to June 22, 2010. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

| | NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | | EXTRA PRESENT | | RATE | | ADDIT. FEE |
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| TOTAL | 16 | MINUS | 20 | * = | 0 | X | (\$26 SE or \$52) | \$ | 0.00 |
| INDEP. | 2 | MINUS | 3 | ** = | 0 | X | (\$110 SE or \$220) | \$ | 0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | | X | (\$195 SE or \$390) | \$ | 0.00 |
| * not less than 20 ** not less than 3 | | | | | | | | | TOTAL \$ |
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CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner for Patents is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. X If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. X If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.